

**REMARKS**

The applicants respectfully request that the Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to fee calculation and examination. The applicants have rewritten the claims in the proper U.S. form. No additional fee is due. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees which may be required for this transaction only to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

A prompt and favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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